ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, August 21, 2019

The Arts Commission convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at City Hall, 630 E. Hopkins in San Marcos, Texas.

Chair Lela Holt called the Board Meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:
Chair Lela Holt, Russell Clark, Amy Lou Cox, Priscilla Leder, Dawn Stienecker, and Stephanie Symmes.

Staff in Attendance: Trey Hatt and Charlotte Wattigny

30 MINUTE CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD
Jordan Buckley addressed the Arts Commission regarding editorials in the San Marcos Corridor News about the San Marcos Cinema Club.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
1. Member Stephanie Symmes moved to approve the July 17, 2019 minutes with an amendment to Action Item 2 indicating that the SMart Awards may be awarded in any number or combination of the approved categories each year (within the overall limit of 3-5 awardees each year).

ACTION ITEMS
2. Member Amy Lou Cox moved to nominate the following for SMart Awards: Cecy Holcomb (individual); Charlotte Wattigny (Individual Award, contingent on director approval); Julie Balkman/Wake the Dead (Business Award); Lucky Tomblin (Posthumous Award); and Kelsey Huckaby (Spark Award, to be upgraded to Individual Award in case Charlotte Wattigny is unable to accept.) Motion carried 6-0

DISCUSSION ITEMS
3. The Commission held a discussion on the future Mural Arts Committee once established under the Arts Commission. The Commission asked staff to research whether other entities such as Texas State University can be represented on the committee and expressed interest in emphasizing public input in the mural process.
STAFF REPORTS

4. The Commission received a staff report regarding eligible traffic boxes for traffic box murals. Commissioners expressed interest in moving forward with the program.

5. The Commission received a staff report regarding construction progress of the San Marcos Mobility Hub: substantial completion is expected Aug. 30, and final completion is expected by mid-late September.

6. The Commission received a staff report regarding the feasibility of placing permanent art at the Discovery Center. Staff gave a list of challenges and considerations shared to them by the Discovery Center management.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. The Commission asks for the following items to be placed on the September meeting agenda: an action item to select traffic boxes for mural placement; a staff report on the SMart Awards banquet; an update on the Mural Arts Program; a staff report on the this year’s Arts and Cultural Grants applications; discussion on establishing standards of communications to artists who answer calls for artists but are not accepted; discussion regarding visioning for 2020; and discussion of the Arts Master Plan.

ADJOURN

Chair Lela Holt adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m. without objection. (*No motion, second or vote is required to adjourn the meeting unless there is an objection to adjourning.*)

[Signatures]

Staff Liaison Trey Hatt

Lela Holt, Chair